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The Appellants of the Appeal Brief filed on November 30, 2007 are required to submit a new Brief in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 41.37 and Brief compliance with 35 U.S.C. § 112, First and Second Paragraph of Independent claims 11, 18 and dependent claims 12-17, and 18-23, in light of the identification of corresponding structure.

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